

KIDNAPPERS SEND 4 LETTERS.

BOSTON POLICE NOTIFIED TO
LOOK OUT FOR MANNINO.

Prisoners Held in \$5,000 Bail Each
—Father and Uncle Give Up Private
Effort—Educated Italians Talk of Moving
Against Sicilians Who Blackmail.

The Italian kidnappers who held little Antonio Mannino have taken to letter writing again. Four letters came to the Mannino home yesterday morning. Two were postmarked Boston and two Station O, Manhattan, the mailing point of the letter which demanded \$50,000 on the first day of this case. The Manninos and the police would say nothing about these, but one of the Boston letters must have purported to come from the kidnappers, because the police of that city were notified by wire to be on the lookout.

Somewhere in an Italian colony between Pittsburgh and New York the police believe the boy is held. Somewhere close to him is a black, smooth shaven Italian man of smooth and quiet manners. All the police of Greater New York, all the police, in fact, of the region between Pittsburgh and Boston, want these two. That is as far as the Mannino kidnapping case has gone after six days of steady searching by a corps of detectives and a frantic family.

Sigretto and Mannino have found that their private information, upon which they relied so confidently as to cut loose from the police, is part speculation and part the dreams of enthusiastic friends. They are back working with the authorities again.

Just one promising lead developed yesterday. An Italian detective who has been working with a number of "stool pigeons" who he has traced to the movements up to Sunday. He has located a district in which, he believes, Laduca is hiding with his captive. On that district the police are tightening the net.

Antonio Galiti, Angelo Cuccozza, Francesco Coniglio and Antonio Coniglio were arraigned in the Butler street court yesterday morning. This was the first appearance of Mrs. Antonio Coniglio in court since her arrest on Wednesday. She declared then that she was sick, and the police sent her to Bellevue. There she was kept under close observation and the attendants reported that her only trouble was an abnormal appetite. Cuccozza positively identified her as the woman who was with the man to whom he delivered little Antonio Tuesday night at 317 East Thirty-ninth street. Her bail was set at \$5,000, and that of each of the other prisoners was raised to the same sum.

Mannino and Sigretto, who were in court, asked to talk with the prisoners. They went from one to the other, begging, pleading and bullying for some information about the boy. Galiti, hard faced, bent with labor, stolid, shrewd, Coniglio, who looks like an ordinary Italian workman, seemed almost ready to talk, but stopped just short of giving any information.

Sigretto talked vigorously to the woman, a coarse type of the Italian housewife. She fell back on violent hysterics and the partners gave it up. By agreement the case was continued until next Friday.

The prisoners were taken back to jail. Attorney Curcio was retained for the prisoners at first; but he is a brother of Wardman S. Curcio, who is doing detective work on the police side of this case, and he thought best, for that reason, to drop it. The prisoners are therefore without counsel.

This kidnapping case has stirred up the Italian population all over New York. It is the climax of blackmailing, extortion and highway robbery. There is talk in both New York and Brooklyn of some concerted action by the respectable Italians to stamp out the criminal element.

"It is getting past endurance," said an Italian professional man yesterday. "An element which represents about 1 per cent. of the Italian colony is keeping the other 99 per cent. in terror. There has been an influx of Sicilian criminals in the past year. I think they have passed among the Sicilian criminals that New York is a happy hunting ground where money is easy and the authorities not troublesome."

"That Croton affair, where a gang leveled on hundreds of laborers for four years before the police heard of it, is typical. There has been a lot of talk in the newspapers about the frequency of those crimes this year. Let me tell you that not one twentieth of the cases are ever reported to the police."

"The educated men of the colony are talking of getting together to see what we can do about it. The District Attorney's office should take it up. We have to educate our ignorant countrymen to the point where they will report these cases."

"If you will look over the police reports you will find that most of the men arrested for this work have been in America less than a year. They come over with the intention of going into the business of extortion; and they get at it right away. Two of the Croton suspects had been here only two months when they were arrested."

Pittsburgh, Pa., Aug. 15.—Vito Laduca, who is being sought by the police of New York city for the kidnapping of the Mannino boy in Brooklyn, is well known to the police and Secret Service officers here. He conducted a cell in the Allegheny county jail several weeks last year. His measurements and pictures were taken by the Secret Service officials.

In January of last year three Italians were arrested here for swindling. The men gave the names of Altomelia Vito, Cotton Vito and Vito Laduca, the last being the man for whom the New York police are looking. At the preliminary hearing, before Commissioner Lindsay, Laduca was discharged for lack of evidence to hold him. He remained in the city for several days, but disappeared before the trial of the other two.

TAILOR'S "BLACK HAND" LETTER.

He Proposes to Be at 177th Street and Third Avenue To-day to Lick Somebody.
S. J. Pollie, a woman's tailor, is an Italian. In the last mail delivery yesterday he received a letter in Italian, written in a bold hand. It was mailed from Station D, Third Avenue and Eighth street, at 1 P. M. As translated by the receiver it reads:

PAID \$21,000 ON LIVE MAN.

Insurance Companies Run Down Fraud
in Arkansas Doctor's Case.

LITTLE ROCK, Ark., Aug. 15.—To-day several life insurance companies served a writ of garnishment on the German National Bank for funds alleged to be on deposit to the credit of Mrs. Ethel Lightie of Searcy, whose husband was believed to have been killed in a stable fire May 5 last.

Dr. Lightie carried \$21,000 insurance on his life, and this money was paid over to the widow a few days after his supposed death. The companies interested are: The New York Life, \$11,000; Fidelity Mutual, \$5,000; Mutual Life of New York, \$1,000; A. O. U. N. Y., \$2,000; Metropolitan, \$2,000.

S. M. Powell of Little Rock, general agent of the Metropolitan life, heard rumors that the doctor was still alive, and decided to make an investigation. It was stated that the bones identified as belonging to Dr. Lightie were from the body of a man named Pitts, who had died several months before. Saturday night the grave of Pitts was opened by officers and the coffin found to be empty.

This, with one or two other corroborative facts which came into the possession of representatives of the insurance companies, decided them to take prompt action, and a writ of garnishment was obtained.

Mrs. Lightie arrived here to-day and held a conference with the insurance officials. It is stated to-night that she has agreed to return the money obtained on the policies and there will be no criminal prosecution. She said that she did not know that her husband was alive until a few days ago.

N. K. GLIDDEN A SUICIDE.

The Former Husband of Maude Adams's
Mother Takes Poison.

CHEYENNE, Wyo., Aug. 15.—N. K. Glidden, who was divorced from Mrs. Annie Adams, mother of Maude Adams, the actress, in New York city a few years ago, committed suicide in a Turkish bath in Salt Lake City yesterday by taking strychnine.

Glidden since his divorce has been living at Elka, a wild spot in the Teton Mountains near Jackson's Hole, Wyo., where he raised elk, deer and other wild game. His ranch was one of the finest in the West. For more than two years Glidden was despondent, being worried over the separation from Mrs. Adams and her daughter.

Glidden went to Salt Lake two weeks ago and made his will, leaving everything except some paintings, jewelry, and silverware, which he gave to Maude Adams, to his divorced wife. He then set to drinking heavily and yesterday took poison.

MAYOR HARRISON LIABLE.

Owens That He Shot Woodcock in Chicago
in Violation of Law.

CHICAGO, Aug. 15.—By his own statement Mayor Harrison has made himself liable to a fine of \$100 and has brought his reputation as a sportsman into question. Shooting in the city limits is contrary to the municipal code, and Chief of Police O'Neil to-day found himself considerably embarrassed by the Mayor's boast that he and City Electrician Elliott had killed more than two dozen woodcock in Chicago.

What is still more disturbing to the Mayor's peace of mind is that unwittingly he disregarded a recent request of the Federal Government to all true sportsmen to spare the jewels of the woodcock. In consequence, Mr. Harrison was severely scolded to-day for the slaughter of the birds, fast becoming extinct.

POOR WOMAN HAD \$2,000 JEWEL.

Says Mrs. Pierson Left It in a Cedarhurst
Cottage.

Mrs. Mary Kraft, 57 years old, of Inwood, L. I., and Mrs. Aurelia Warren, 18 years, wife of Albert Warren, an ice dealer, of Rockaway Park, were locked up last night in the Herbert street police station, Williamsburg, as suspicious persons. They were arrested in David Bruckheimer's pawnshop at 705 Grand street, where Mrs. Kraft had tried to obtain a loan on a diamond sunburst valued at \$2,000.

When Mrs. Kraft entered the pawnshop she hesitated before handing over the jewel. She asked for such a small loan that the pawnbroker's suspicions became aroused, and he detained the woman while he phoned to the Herbert street police station. Detectives Dillon and Connelly went to the pawnshop and placed the two women under arrest. The detectives also took charge of the gem. Both women were taken to the station house, where Mrs. Kraft, on being questioned, said that the sunburst had been in her possession for nearly a year.

"I found the jewel," said Mrs. Kraft, "in one of the five cottages owned by Mrs. Clara Weeks, at Cedarhurst, L. I. The cottage in which I found it was occupied last summer by a Mrs. Pierson of New York. It was after Mrs. Pierson had vacated it and returned to the city that I was sent to the cottage to clean up. I found the sunburst under some paper in a bureau. I showed it to Mrs. Weeks and she told me to keep it. I have an invalid husband, and as I needed money I decided to pawn the jewel and was arrested."

DIED IN FIRE WITH HELP NEAR

MAN LEFT BALCONY WHILE LIFE
WAS RISKED TO REACH HIM.

Watchman, Hemmed In on Top Floor of
Factory Building, Had Good Chance of
Escape Had He Waited for Firemen
—Scared Chinese Jostle Girls to Rear.

An unknown man, who is supposed to have been a watchman employed by Charles H. Buschman, dealer in clock and millinery trimmings at 5 Howard street, was burned to death yesterday afternoon in a fire which swept the two upper floors of the building and did considerable damage on the second. The firemen, under the direction of Deputy Chief Kruger, made every effort to reach the man, but were repeatedly driven back by the dense smoke and flames. Two firemen, who persisted in the attempt to rescue him, were overcome by smoke and were themselves saved with difficulty.

The building is a four story white marble front structure occupied on the ground floor by G. Gelb & Co., machinery dealers, and on the second floor by H. Ruhland, a manufacturer of gilt frames. The third floor was occupied by Jacob H. Markson, a paper box manufacturer. Buschman rented the top floor. Mr. Buschman is spending the summer among the Thousand Islands. His factory has been closed for some time and nobody knew the watchman was in the building. The other tenants said the watchman was an elderly German who had been in Mr. Buschman's employ for a long time. Nobody knew his name, but some said they had heard him say he lived in East New York.

The fire started shortly after 1 o'clock, when most of the men and women employed in the building were at lunch. Mr. Markson was alone in his part of the building and went down stairs to speak to an expressman. When he got back he found the whole of his loft in flames. Markson gave the alarm and ran to the street. Several persons followed him and it was supposed that every one had left the building.

When the firemen got there flames were pouring from the windows in the rear and on the Elm street side. Deputy Chief Kruger sent in a second alarm as soon as he arrived. By that time the fire had spread to the second and fourth floors.

Through the fire and thick black smoke the crowd presently saw an old man on a window on the top floor. He called for help several times and then crawled out on the fire escape. When he saw the smoke coming up from below he started back toward the window. Chief Kruger called to him to stay where he was. He nodded as if he understood the order and made his way to the end of the balcony. In the mean time the crew of Engine 55 had climbed to the third floor. Fireman John Driscoll reached the ladder first and started to climb to the fourth. Before he could reach the balcony where the old man was sitting the flames burst from the windows of the second and third floors and drove the rest of the firemen to the street. When the heat became unbearable Driscoll took hold of the side of the ladder and swung out over the street. The crew of Hook and Ladder Truck 8 were on the building and were trying to throw a rope to the watchman beneath. The rope fell near Driscoll and he fastened it around his body and gave the signal to haul away.

Driscoll, when he reached it, felt all over the balcony on the fourth floor, but could not find the body of the man he was trying to save. When the truckmen got Driscoll on the roof he was unconscious.

The crew of Engine 31 reached the balcony on the third floor and Fireman Neuse swarmed up after Driscoll, but was overcome before he could reach the fourth floor. The fire was almost under control by that time and Chief Kruger asked Fireman Rice of Engine 20 if he thought he could reach the imprisoned man through the dense smoke. Rice went up the ladder and succeeded in reaching the fourth floor balcony.

He could not find the old man. He was crawled in through an open window. He was driven back almost immediately by the clouds of smoke. When he got to the street Rice said he had found the man's body about twenty feet inside the window, but had been driven back before he could lift it from the floor. When the fire was out, a party of firemen lowered the watchman's charred body to the street.

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TO END SAMAR DISORDER.

Gov. Wright Orders Concentration of
Residents of Several Districts.

Special Cable Dispatch to THE SUN.
MANILA, Aug. 15.—Gov. Wright has issued a proclamation ordering the concentration of the inhabitants of the barrios of Catbalogan and the Gandara River districts, island of Samar, in order to end the disturbances caused by a band of outlaws.

The Government will provide food and shelter for the reconcentrated natives not obeying the proclamation will be punished.

THREAT OF MOROCCAN TRIBES.

Will Take Action to Defend Empire if
French Intervention Doesn't Cease.

Special Cable Dispatch to THE SUN.
TANGIER, Aug. 15.—The resident foreign diplomats have received letters from the tribes, stating that if the French warships now at Tangier are not withdrawn and French intervention in the Moroccan outcome does not cease, the tribes will take action for the defence of the empire.

THREATENS NEW HAVEN ROAD.

Mount Vernon Scheme to Arrest En-
gineers Who Use Soft Coal.

MOUNT VERNON, N. Y., Aug. 15.—Drastic measures have been decided on by Corporation Counsel Roger M. Sherman, unless the New Haven road abolishes the use of soft coal in this city within forty-eight hours. A few weeks ago the Common Council passed an ordinance making it a misdemeanor for any corporation or railroad company to use soft coal. A copy of the ordinance was sent to President Mellen of the New York, New Haven and Hartford Railroad Company, and it is said no reply was received. Corporation Counsel Sherman sent the following letter to President Mellen this afternoon:

"AUG. 15, 1904.
"Charles P. Mellen, Esq., President N. Y. & N. H. R. R. Co., New Haven, Conn.:
"SIR: I send you enclosed herewith a copy of the ordinance of the city of Mount Vernon prohibiting the use of soft coal so as to produce the noxious and injurious smoke inseparable from its use.
"It is a matter of common observation that the trains in your system while passing through the city of Mount Vernon violate this ordinance."

Mr. Mellen immediately notified that the ordinance will be strictly enforced and if within forty-eight hours the use of soft coal within the corporation limits of Mount Vernon by your engine drivers shall continue the most drastic methods will be adopted to prevent it.

"There will be no hesitation in taking your engine driver from any train and arraigning him for trial for the violation of the ordinance."

"I hope to receive your immediate assurance that your company will comply with the ordinance, I am, very respectfully,
"ROGER M. SHERMAN,
"Corporation Counsel."

In the opinion of the Mount Vernon officials, President Mellen will ignore Corporation Counsel Sherman's letter and a war on the railroad company will follow. Chief of Police Foley will be called upon to arrest all engine drivers on locomotives using soft coal, and this may tie up the entire Consolidated system.

STONED FRANK GOULD'S AUTO.

Party of Italian Children Recent Being
Exposed to Danger While Playing.

GREENWICH, Conn., Aug. 15.—Frank J. Gould, who is summing up at Bell Haven, was stoned by a party of Italian women and children as he and his wife and some friends were returning from New York yesterday afternoon on the Boston Post road, just on the State line at the top of what is known as "Niggerhole Hill."

Mr. Gould's machine is one of the largest and fastest hereabouts. He often runs down to New York in it on business when he does not go by his yacht. Early in the season his chauffeur, William Everett, was shot for going thirty miles an hour on the chief street in Greenwich and sentenced to thirty days in jail. An appeal was taken and a bond furnished.

Since then the Gould machine has not gone so fast in town, but it is believed that while going on the post roads it has come rather near hitting the numerous Italian children of the "niggerhole" hamlet who play on the road.

Mr. Gould's chauffeur said to-day that twice he has had things thrown at him. As Mr. Gould passed that way yesterday a shower of tomatoes, tin cans and stones was hurled at the machine, some of the stones hitting the car and leaving dents. Neither Mr. Gould nor the ladies received any hard knocks, although some of the missiles came close. The car was not running very fast at the time.

Just ahead of the Gould car were Senator and Prosecuting Attorney James E. Walsh and a party in his motor car, and another car, which had caused the children to leave the road in a hurry. They then had revenge on the Gould party for the breaking up of their games.

NO SPOONING ON THE BEACH.

Can Hold Hands at Atlantic City, but
Mustn't Kiss Promiscuously.

ATLANTIC CITY, N. J., Aug. 15.—"Spooning on the beach is forbidden to-morrow," said Mayor Stoy to-day. The Mayor, however, could give no plausible reason why love-making should be stopped.

"Your Honor, do I construe your edict correctly that a youth and his lady love will not be permitted to sit close together on the beach?" he was asked. "No, the ban is not so strict and far reaching as that," said the Mayor, "but complaints have reached me that the limits of propriety have been overstepped by some of the visitors. Of course, nothing of an improper order has reached my ears, but I conscientiously believe that promiscuous osculation, hugging and the like should not be done publicly. Some people are even suggestive and they imagine all sorts of things when they see a young man gaze rapturously at a pair of dreamy eyes."

LEFT \$5,000 ON A CHAIR.

Mrs. E. C. Wood Forgot Her Handbag,
and Returned for It After It Had Gone.

ABERT PARK, N. J., Aug. 15.—Mrs. Emily C. Wood of West End avenue, New York, arose from dinner at the Columbia Hotel here last night and left the dining room, forgetting a handbag which she had hung on the back of her chair. It contained diamonds and securities worth \$5,000. When she looked for it an hour later it had disappeared. In addition to the jewels and securities there were several drafts and certified checks.

Mrs. Wood was on the beach when she remembered the property she had left behind. She called a cab and was driven furiously to her hotel. All the employees of the house were questioned until after midnight, when the police were called in.

LIVE WIRE FALLS ON CARRIAGE.

Passengers and Driver Escape Injury—Dog
Burned but Not Killed.

TARTTOWN, N. Y., Aug. 15.—A live trolley wire broke on the main street this evening, and fell on a carriage containing two men and two women and set fire to it. The occupants jumped out and escaped. The driver whipped up the horses and got out of danger. The top of the carriage was burned off.

RAID ON HARD LUCK POOLROOM.

8 PHONES AND 6 PRISONERS FROM
WHITEHALL APARTMENTS.

"I'd Been Expecting Admiral Togo," Says
a Prisoner Sadly When the Police
Turn Up—Records of Several Bets
That Had Gone Against the House.

The third floor of the Whitehall Apartments, formerly known as the Richmond Flats, at 239-41 West Forty-third street, was raided yesterday afternoon in racing hours. Six men, caught while very busy behind a partition in the business end of the establishment, were arrested. Fifty patrons of the place were lectured on the evils of gambling and allowed to depart. The police confiscated eight telephones and many racing sheets. According to Capt. Hussey, who made the raid, the place was not only a poolroom, but a poolroom telephone exchange.

The police had warrants, but obtained their evidence as they went along. Capt. Hussey arranged with a friend to rent an apartment on the top floor of the building, and at 3 o'clock in the afternoon a wagonload of trunks was dumped on the sidewalk. A pair of husky cops disguised as baggage men rolled the trunks onto the elevator, and when the lift had started for the top floor and the elevator man was out of sight Capt. Hussey and his men slipped out of the covered express wagon and made their way to the third floor by the stairs.

Halting at the front door of the suspected apartment, the police heard the second race at Chicago and the third event at Saratoga called off from the interior. Then sleuths John, Crow and Mead attacked the rear of the flat. Smashing the door, they found themselves in an extinct kitchen. They battered down the opposite door, passed through a pantry, smashed another door and entered a deserted dining room. From there they smashed through two other rooms and finally got to three rooms in which a number of men were making themselves comfortable on numerous chairs and couches.

Meanwhile Capt. Hussey and the other two sleuths had broken in at the front and caught the six men behind a partition there.

The customers took things calmly. Up-town sports have grown accustomed to raids in the last two years and the sound of advancing policemen brings no terror to their hearts. The night bartender of the place, a blond, confessed to having been "present" on twenty-six occasions when the cops called.

One of the men grabbed behind the partition, who says he is Abe Cohen, a clerk, was stuffing a roll of bills into his pockets. The roll was seized. It amounted to nearly \$500. Five other young men were found either answering telephone calls or writing figures on long sheets. They all professed to be clerks, mostly named Jones. In Cohen's pockets was found a bunch of slips which the police say recorded bets amounting from \$50 to \$200 each. Capt. Hussey says these slips were for bets on the outside, who placed their wagers with the room by telephone. One of the slips showed that "Mr. Hutton" had bet \$200 to \$1,000 on Canada in the third race at Saratoga. Canada won. "Mr. Schultz" had bet on Canada to run second, getting \$750 to \$200. "He" had wagered \$200 to \$300 on Mimosa in the opening event at Saratoga. Mimosa won.

"Well, this room has been getting hit hard lately," said Capt. Hussey. One of the detectives unearthed a sheet writer's balance book from a drawer behind the partition. On one of the pages he found and read aloud: "Aug. 12—Took in \$2,191. Paid out \$9,993, losing to the day \$1,703."

As he read one of the young men caught recording figures on a long sheet sadly said:

"Oh, we've been getting it on all sides. Raid? Cops? Why, I've been expecting Admiral Togo."

Mr. Cohen, his five little clerks and a wagonload of things were carted in a patrol wagon to the West Forty-seventh street station. A search was made for the elevator attendants, but he had gone.

At 8 o'clock last night Magistrate Whitman took \$1,000 bail at the station house for each of the prisoners. The room is said to have been backed by a city official.

MARK TWAIN'S WIFE LEFT \$35,000.

All to Her Husband—The Will Made in
May, 1891.

The will of Mrs. Olivia Langdon Clemens, wife of Samuel L. Clemens, "Mark Twain," was filed for probate in the Surrogate's office yesterday. Mrs. Clemens died in Florence, Italy, on June 8 last. Her will was executed on May 9, 1891. She left all her property, which is estimated at \$35,000, to her husband.

50 TYPISTS, DARK HAIR, PLEASE.

Hired by the Superintendent of Elections
—Branch Offices Opened.

George W. Morgan, Superintendent of Elections for the metropolitan district, sent an order to two typewriter companies for fifty machines and fifty girls to run them. They will report for work in the morning. Mindful of the fate of the Hon. Oliver Sumner Teal, who once conducted a disastrous campaign for the People's Municipal League with the aid of a roomful of blond typewriter girls, Mr. Morgan expressed a preference for dark hair. Yesterday he opened three branch offices, one at 356 Fulton street, Brooklyn, in charge of Deputy Francis Driscoll; one at 58 Jackson avenue, Long Island City, in charge of Deputy Jacob Smith, and one at 2 Grand street, White Plains, in charge of Deputy Henry C. Weeks.

Up to the present time all subpoenas issued by the Superintendent have been returnable at his office in Manhattan. In the future they will be returnable at the branch office in the borough in which the man subpoenaed resides, or at the office in White Plains if he lives in Westchester county. This arrangement is expected to facilitate the work.

Mr. Morgan has obtained 75,000 slips from the New York Directory Company containing the names of people who have moved since last year. He has also established a branch office at 220 Broadway, which is the headquarters of the Assistant United States District Attorney in charge of naturalization frauds. This office is in charge of Deputy Harry B. Stowell, and he will work in conjunction with the representatives of the Federal Government on these cases.

A Pacific Coast Opportunity.

The thoroughly organized and successful Oregon Department of the Northwestern Mutual Life Insurance Co. is opening for a reliable life insurance man who has personal property. The new contract, S. K. Lockwood & Son, General Agents, Portland, Oregon.

TREASURE SEEKERS DROWN.

Fifth Expedition in Search of Kruger's
Millions Wrecked.

Special Cable Dispatch to THE SUN.
DURBAN, Natal, Aug. 15.—The coasting vessel Penguin, which was chartered to search for the millions belonging to the late ex-President Kruger of the Transvaal, which were lost by the sinking of the steamer Dorothea off the Zululand coast three years ago, has been wrecked, with the loss of twenty-five lives.

This was the fifth expedition that went in search of the lost treasure, and all of them ended disastrously.

ARMY PRISONERS KILL GUARD.

Six Said to Have Escaped From Fort
Sheridan, Chicago, After a Fight.

CHICAGO, Aug. 15.—There was a rumor circulated late to-night that six prisoners at Fort Sheridan had killed their guard and escaped.

The police of Highland Park and Evanston have not received word from the authorities at the fort, but they substantiated the report from news received by a late visitor to the army post.

RUSSIANS ATTACK HAY.

Take Charge Incident as Excuse for De-
nouncing American Secretary.

Special Cable Dispatch to THE SUN.
ST. PETERSBURG, Aug. 15.—The newspapers vehemently attack the United States for refusing to compel Japan to return the Retshiteiye and make amends for her action in seizing the vessel in a neutral port.

They complain that international law is trodden under foot by Secretary of State Hay, "the cunning Machiavelli of Washington," who is taxed with aiding and abetting crime against civilized peoples.

On the other hand, the action of Germany in warning off the "Japanese hyenas" at Tsingtau is highly commended.

PARKER'S VOTE FOR BRYAN.

The Judge Explains Its Significance to
John K. Lamb of Indiana.

TERRE HAUTE, Ind., Aug. 15.—John K. Lamb, who was chairman of the Indiana delegation to the St. Louis convention, says that when he told Judge Parker of a Terre Haute banker who said that the only thing he had against Parker as a candidate was his vote for Bryan, Judge Parker remarked:

"Tell him if I had not voted for Bryan he would not be able to vote for me for President."

GRABBED A THUNDERBOLT.

Young Girl Seized a Wire Rope Just as
Lightning Struck It and Was Killed.

LOUISVILLE, Aug. 15.—Miss Ethel Bourland, daughter of W. E. Bourland of Dixon, Ky., one of the wealthiest men in western Kentucky, was instantly killed last night. She was said to be the most beautiful girl in Western county and recently was voted the most popular.

She was romping on the lawn of her home with some children, watching the gathering of a storm. She ran from one of the youngsters and to stop herself grasped a steel wire rope extending across the lawn. At the same time lightning struck the wire 300 feet away and Miss Bourland dropped dead. She was 16 years old.

CZAR PROVIDES FOR FUTURE.

If He Dies While Czarvitch Is a Minor,
Grand Duke Michael Will Be Regent.

Special Cable Dispatch to THE SUN.
ST. PETERSBURG, Aug. 15.—The "Czar has issued a manifesto stating that, in the event of his death before the Czarvitch Alexis attains his majority, Grand Duke Michael, the Czar's brother, shall act as regent, and the Czarina shall act as guardian of the Czarvitch.

It is believed that the Czar, as a token of thanksgiving for the birth of a son, will abolish the use of the knout in the prisons.

REPRODUCED BY LIGHTNING.

Picture of a Tree Under Which Man Was
Shocked Found on His Chest.

BUTTE, Mont., Aug. 15.—Harry T. Sweet, an operator in the employ of the Western Union Telegraph Company at Butte, went to Anaconda to attend a picnic yesterday and while standing under a tree in Mountain View Park the tree was struck by lightning and Sweet was knocked unconscious.

The physicians called to attend Mr. Sweet were unable to restore him to consciousness until a late hour last night, and when he regained his senses he complained of a pain in his chest. The doctors discovered there a perfect picture of a tree that had been struck, even to a reproduction of a jagged and broken limb half way up the trunk of the tree. The picture is red in appearance, but is not burned in.

\$70,000 TO SEVEN FRIENDS.

Locomotive Engineer Wins \$10,000 Each
to His Former Firemen.

LOUISVILLE, Ky., Aug. 15.—Seven engineers of the Illinois Central Railroad last week received \$10,000 each from the estate of Joe Bornschien, a rich Jew who